

# HOOVER'S CHANCES HINGE ON THE ELIMINATION OF JOHNSON

be no bolt in this convention and then introduced Senator Lodge.

Chauncey M. Dupper, Myron T. Harrison of Ohio and Mrs. J. H. Kuntz of Berkeley, Calif., escorted Senator Lodge to the platform. Another in-bowling and never before has a woman appeared on the platform of a Republican Convention as a member of the convention. Senator Lodge was cheered a few seconds as he advanced to the Speaker's desk. As the Senator appeared the hall was flooded with a blinding white light for the aid of the moving picture cameras.

There arose to-day in Chicago a thick smoke screen—discernible even in the atmosphere of this smoky city—which was cleverly distributed by the men who created it, and has by this time spread all over the United States. An observer might have picked out in shadowy outlines on the screen the letters "H. J. S.", spelling the name of the Governor of Pennsylvania, who ostensibly is a candidate for the nomination for President of the United States.

But what did the smoke screen hide? Smoke screens always hide something. This was the operations of a pre-convention plan to test out the real strength of Hiram Johnson, and, if it answers better than 275, to utilize it and Hiram in the formation of the ticket outlined at the conference of the nine delegates reported by The Evening World yesterday.

It came to the conviction that the candidates might be for President, Philander C. Knox of Pennsylvania, for Vice President, Hiram Johnson of California.

Hiram tried out his strength in Chicago last night and he put up a very good show. Without his knowledge, he had the assistance by virtue of actual presence and moral support of no less a personage than William Jennings Bryan, who is going to San Francisco at the close of this convention and speak to dictate the policies of the Democratic party.

Mr. Bryan occupied a front seat in the Auditorium during most of the Johnson meeting. At one stage of the proceedings he applauded vigorously. That was when Senator Johnson said:

"This nation has always heeded humanity's call and civilization's cry and we shall not cease to heed. All that we insist on is when the crisis occurs, you decide and I decide and the American people decide, and that no European nation decide for us."

Mr. Bryan, who had smiled his approval of other portions of Senator Johnson's address, clapped his hands at this, and his smile did not come off while the meeting lasted. Surely it was a strange spectacle; the political history of the United States does not present its equal.

**G. O. P. TRAVELLING IN STRANGE COMPANY.**

In this remarkable convention the Republican party is travelling in strange company. A political revolution could produce no more astounding spectacle than the three defeated candidates of the Democratic party, who are now planning to name the next candidate and dictate the party platform, attending a Republican mass meeting and applauding the utterances of a man who aspires to be the candidate against the candidate Mr. Bryan hopes to force upon the Democratic party.

But to get back to the smoke screen—we shall take up the Johnson mass meeting later and show how the Republican party is not entirely lacking in sagacious leadership—let us consider the events of the day. It is necessary to touch only the high lights.

In the first place, the New York delegation held an open caucus and selected the members of the committees which shall serve during and after the convention, and also selected Charles D. Miller as National Committeeman. This action on the part of the New York delegation confirmed the judgment of the nine delegates in yesterday's Evening World that Mr. Miller will be one of the four men who will straighten out the tangle in the Republican Party. The nine delegates in another meeting decided that Mr. Miller will be the next Chairman of the Republican National Committee.

It had been planned that the delegates should formally agree to support Nicholas Murray Butler for the nomination for President until they should find a soft place to stop, but prior to the caucus there was held a meeting of leaders, and it transpired that the New York delegation is not fanatical about Dr. Butler; it also transpired that Dr. Butler's managers cannot promise a vote for him on the first ballot outside the State of New York.

Furthermore, the meeting brought forth the fact, concretely, which had been sensed before that the New York delegation is split six ways, and that the division is of such a nature that the leaders are at a loss as to how to concentrate it on any candidate. Consequently, it was decided to adjourn the caucus until Wednesday, at which time, it is believed, the best the leaders will be able to do is to assure Dr. Butler the vote of the delegation on the first ballot.

After that the delegation will divide its allegiance. A few delegates will remain true to Dr. Butler. Others will vote for Hoover, Lowden, Johnson, Wood and Lenroot of Wisconsin. Senator Lenroot has declared he is not a candidate and the stand of the New York delegates will have an-

nounced their intention to support him causes the leaders no small degree of concern.

The nine delegates in the miniature convention believe that the action of the New York delegation in postponing the caucus on candidates was part of the great smoke screen set in motion by the Pennsylvania delegates. Mark this:

William Barnes Jr. let it be known that he is in favor of the candidacy of Gov. Sprout of Pennsylvania.

Former Judge Nathaniel Miller of the Court of Appeals is to nominate Herbert Hoover in the convention.

The chief point at issue is the success of the Republican Party and the elimination of Hiram Johnson as a candidate for the Presidency, but the gentlemen who will control the convention when the proper time comes know they cannot give Hiram what is known in rough neck political circles as the "bum's rush" before he gets a chance to show what he can do, although they are determined that he shall not be nominated this year.

If Senator Johnson shows an actual "roft" calls that he is in position to embarrass the convention, even though he be unable to control enough votes to nominate himself, it will be up to the leaders to parley with him—allow him to name the candidate for President and put himself in second place. In the event that this contingency arises there must be a man ready for the first place who is acceptable to Johnson, and also to Johnson's right hand and adviser, Senator Borah, who is even more crafty and resourceful and meeting than the Senator from California.

**KNOX TO BE HELD IN RESERVE AS CANDIDATE.**

Now, the one man who has gained the praise of Senators Johnson and Borah, and who has been put forth as a candidate by Senator Penrose is Philander C. Knox of Pennsylvania. But it would not be the part of good politics to boom Senator Knox at this time, for he is to be held in reserve.

Since the smoke screen was raised by the Pennsylvania delegation. The announcement that the delegation would stand by Gov. Sprout to the end and assured unity among Pennsylvania politicians and the delegates themselves. There are members of some of the delegations who would vote for Sprout if they thought he had a chance of being nominated.

But there isn't a member of the delegation who would not vote for Knox if the word went out that he would vote for Sprout if they thought he had a chance of being nominated.

New York and Pennsylvania are the two numerically overwhelmingly powerful delegations in the convention. Divided as New York is in state of affairs it would not be unreasonable to assume, in the judgment of the nine delegates who are trying to work out a plan for the Republican Party, that the state of affairs in Pennsylvania would get all the Butler, Lowden, Lenroot, Johnson and Wood votes on the first ballot, and that the Johnson vote would be the Hoover vote would change before the close of the roll call.

With Knox in the background the smoke screen will probably thicken to-day, aided by the opening of the convention and the temporary shift of the seat of activities from hotel rooms to the open Coliseum.

It will thicken to thicken until the leaders find out just how strong Hiram is, and that knowledge can only come from a test of strength on at least one of the issues of the convention, which should come about Thursday or Friday.

No one knows better how much depends upon his showing in the convention than Senator Hiram Johnson; he knows that if he cannot control enough votes on the floor to back up his demands that he at least name the candidate the nomination stands as good as shot of going to his rival Herbert Hoover. For it would appear that Hoover's delegates will stick to him until he tells them to let go and show of going to his rival.

Needless to say Hiram Johnson wants to go into the convention with bells on and with that end in view he staged last night the most spectacular and successful demonstration that has been held here since Theodore Roosevelt split the Republican Party in 1912. Right here it must be said that while the Johnson demonstration did not compare with the fervid Roosevelt carnival of noise, tears, songs and idolatry, it was considerable of an exhibition of the fact that Hiram Johnson has come following.

It was the more impressive that Senator Johnson had not the aid of John Barleycorn in his circus, while John, 1912, was one of the "wettest" months of Chicago has ever experienced. Not that Col. Roosevelt needed the aid of John Barleycorn, but it should be recorded that John was here in 1912 and he wasn't here last night.

The crowds in and around the Auditorium were not as large or as demonstrative as they were in 1912, but the great Auditorium was jammed an hour and a half before the time set for the opening of the meeting. The Auditorium is much larger than the Metropolitan Opera House. Overcrowd meetings were held outside.

Senator Johnson and Senator Borah stepped on the stage at 7:55 o'clock and as a year of cheers greeted them Senator Johnson glanced at his watch. At 8:30 o'clock the trained ear of Senator Johnson told him that the applause was beginning to die and again he glanced at his watch. The demonstration had lasted, in high gear, twenty-five minutes.

Senator Johnson said nothing in particular that he has not said many times before during his campaign in the primary elections in various states, but it was a significant thing in the judgment of many that he cut out references to the "keep press" and the "reptile press" and the "subservient press," which appeared in the printed copy of the speech given to reporters in advance and also that he omitted to quote about one thousand words of opinions of the late Col. Roosevelt. Indeed, he omitted the Lincoln's Gettysburg address. Apparently Senator Johnson has adopted Abraham Lincoln.

And William Jennings Bryan has partially adopted Senator Hiram Johnson.

## LODGE IN KEYNOTE SPEECH BITTERLY ATTACKS WILSON

Tells Republican National Convention Wilson and His Dynasty Must Be Driven Out.

GLAD LEAGUE IS ISSUE.

Wants People to Say What They Think of the Sacrifice of America.

CHICAGO, June 8.—The country must drive President Wilson and his "dynasty" from power and defeat the League of Nations as he desires it, declared Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, temporary chairman of the Republican National Convention, in his keynote address here to-day.

Defending the Senate's opposition to the Treaty of Peace as a high and patriotic duty, the Senator flung down this gauntlet:

"We make this issue: We ask appreciation for what we have done. The people will not tell us what they think of Mr. Wilson's League and the sacrifice of America."

While emphasizing the point that around the League must be waged the 1920 Presidential campaign and devoting much of his speech to arraignment of the Wilson Administration, the Senator found time to say before the delegates the stand of the Republican party on other salient problems facing the nation.

**WANTS A FIRM HAND TAKEN IN MEXICO.**

Chief among these was Mexico. Declaring it was time for the United States to take a firm hand in things Mexican and end the "disgraceful record" of the last seven years, Senator Lodge urged that this country let the Mexicans choose as their President some strong and upright man who is friendly to the United States and determined to establish order and then tend him a real and cordial support.

"Mexico lies at our doors," he declared. "It is a primary duty for us to deal with it under the Monroe Doctrine, but nothing has been done and yet we are asked to take a mandate for Armenia."

"Mr. Wilson and his dynasty," said Mr. Lodge, "his heirs and assigns, or anybody that is in, anybody who with bent knee has served his purpose, must be driven from all control, from all influence upon the Government of the United States."

"They must be driven from office and power, not because they are Democrats, but because Mr. Wilson stands for a theory of administration and government which is not American."

"The return of the Democrats to power with Mr. Wilson or one of his disciples still the leader and master of a great party, which before his advent possessed both traditions and principles, would be a long step in the direction of the autocracy for which Mr. Wilson yearns and a heavy blow to the continuance of free representative government as we have always conceived and venerated it."

"Mr. Wilson and the autocracy he represents, and all which those who believe in his doctrines and share his spirit represent, must be put aside and conclusively excluded from any future control."

"The defeat of the present Administration and all it means, transience in importance every other question and all immediate and dominant issues are bound up with it. Without that defeat every chance of the right settlement of the mighty questions before us, so sorely needed now and not later, will depart."

**SAYS NATION MUST BE RID OF ONE MAN GOVERNMENT.**

"To maintain law and order and a stable government where justice rules and the right of all men, high and low, rich and poor, shall be protected, we must have a government of the people, duly chosen by the people, and never must there be permitted any government by a single man or by a group of men, or by an organized minority."

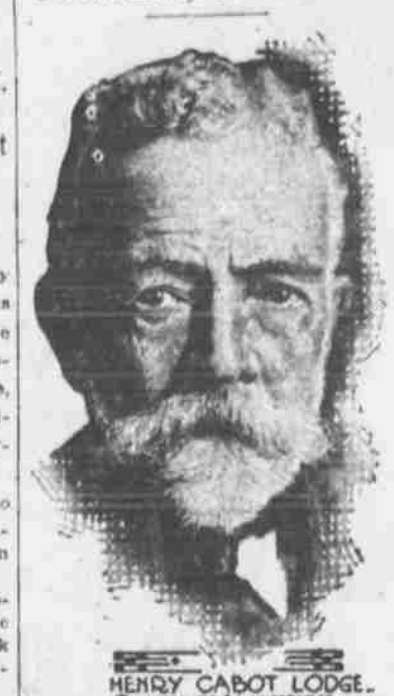
"Over 600 Americans have been murdered in Mexico. Carranza insulted the American Government in every possible way and still nothing was done. We fell so low that when an American was seized by one of the many bands of brigands and held for ransom all that the Government of the United States would do was to offer to be the channel for conveying the ransom of their citizens to the highwaymen who had seized them."

"We have watched and waited long enough. We need a firm hand at the helm. The time has come to put an end to this Mexican situation, which is a shame to the United States and a disgrace to civilization. If we are to take part in pacifying and helping the world, let us begin here at home in Mexico."

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**SAYS PEACE SHOULD HAVE BEEN MADE AT ONCE.**

"When the armistice with Germany was signed the course to be pursued was clear," he said. "That course was to make the peace with Germany at once and then take up for reasonable consideration the question of establishing such future relations with our associates in the war as would make for the future peace of the world. This Mr. Wilson prevented. He went to Europe."

"He had apparently only one aim—to be the maker of a league of which he should be the head. He was determined that there should be a League of Nations then and there, and in order to nullify the powers of the Senate given by the Constitution of the United States, he decided to make the League an integral part of the peace treaty."

"He presented to the Senate, and in order to present a dilemma from which he believed there was no escape, in order to have peace with Germany, he demanded its approval of the League of Nations and the Union of Russian Workers."

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One can scarcely turn around in the convention crowds in the Congress and Blackstone without disturbing the equilibrium of a millionaire or a magnate.

And talking about disturbing equilibrium, that is what Mrs. Pratt has done, even to a greater extent than the Lowden gentleman who bought delegates in Missouri. It is said by some who were at the dinner that at the conclusion of Mrs. Pratt's remarks the seasoned politicians who had heard her froze solid in their seats.

While no pledges were exacted it was supposed that knowledge of the statement of Mrs. Pratt would be confined to the safe limits of her audience. But it wasn't; it is the gossip of convention opening and already there are coming out statements that Mrs. Pratt was misunderstood; that she didn't mean it to mean the way it sounded.

**COMMITTEE OF 48 SUES FOR \$500,000**

President Charges United Americans Circulated Statement Linking It With Bolsheviki.

John A. H. Hopkins, as President of the Committee of Forty-Eight, which announced itself some time since as the nucleus of a new political party, brought suit to-day in the Supreme Court against Alfred H. Muliken, Treasurer of the United Americans, for \$500,000 damages.

The Committee of Forty-Eight, composed of those who have lost faith in the promises of the old parties, alleges that it was damaged by a statement given out by the United Americans for publication on March 23 last, which, according to the complaint of Mr. Hopkins, classified the Committee of Forty-Eight with the Bolsheviki, Anarchists, the Communist Labor Party, the I. W. O., the Non-Partisan League and the Union of Russian Workers.

**HUGHES TRIED IN HOTEL.**

Judge Tom III to Hear Accused Detective's Case in Court.

Federal Judge Mack, although too ill to go to court to-day heard in his apartment at the Hotel Ansonia the case against Detective Thomas W. Hughes, accused of attempting to bribe Prohibition Agent Harold B. Dobbs.

The taking of testimony was completed. At the close of the session, Mrs. Hughes, wife of the accused, broke down. Mrs. Mack, the wife of the Judge, took care of her and a few moments later Mrs. Hughes was able to leave for her home.

As character witnesses for Hughes, Federal Judge Mayer, Magistrate Simpson and former Magistrate Appleton were called, and a letter was read from ex-Gov. Charles S. Whitman.

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In opening the Republican Convention, Chairman Hays said:

"The Republican Party has met in this free and open convention to accept from the people a mandate for the government of the United States. As Chairman of your National Committee I report progress."

"By next November the majority of the Republican Party should be at least three million. In spirit I report more than progress: I report fulfillment. The great party of the Union has become a Union. It shall continue so."

"There will be no bolt in this convention."

Roars of cheers greeted this statement.

**TWO MORE HELD IN FREIGHT THEFTS**

Sergeant of New York Central Police Force Among Those Accused in Big Robberies.

The net which the authorities have spread to catch those believed to be implicated in the thefts of merchandise in transit aggregating millions of dollars, for which forty-eight men have already been indicted by the Federal Grand Jury, to-day yielded two captives. They were Timothy O'Meara of No. 414 West 23rd Street and Joseph B. Coyle, described as a Sergeant of the New York Central Police Force.

They were held in \$5,000 bail each by United States Commissioner Hitchcock. Other men recently arrested furnished similar bail to-day.

One of the railroad's detectives told an Evening World reporter to-day that he had learned that five or six men in a motor car had been "looking for him" at various places last night and that he construed this to mean that the gang would be in the hands of witnesses eliminated in one way or another.

**LOCK UP CASHIER AND PLUNDER BANK**

Bandits Near Pittsburg Escape With Cash and Securities; Bank Officer Left in Vault.

PITTSBURGH, June 8.—Masked bandits this morning entered the Hayes National Bank in Hayes, ten miles from Pittsburg, and after looting the cashier in the vault looted the bank. The band escaped in the direction of Pittsburg, carrying their plunder in cash and securities.

**3,000 ORPHANS AT LUNA PARK**

Two thousand orphan kiddies from institutions in Brooklyn are guests this afternoon of the Long Island Automobile Club and the management of Luna Park, Coney Island.

The 300 auto loaned for the day by members of the club started early this morning for the various institutions, picked up their loads and gathered at the Plaza, Prospect Park, after which the cars in long procession, bands playing and flags flying, went down Ocean Parkway to the beach. There the kiddies headed at once for the merry-go-rounds, and later the management of Luna Park provided them with luncheon, after which the park was turned over to them for the afternoon.

Robert Brenner, chairman of the committee on Arrangements, and Thomas F. Condon, president of the club, personally supervised the affair, which is the fourteenth annual one of its kind given by the club.

**Two New U. S. Commissioners.**

Major Henry S. Ragsdale, Secretary of the Brooklyn Bar Association, and Henry D. Barnum, a lawyer, of No. 44 Court Street, Brooklyn, were to-day appointed United States Commissioners by Judge Charles C. Smith and Gov. William C. Clegg.

Richard M. Canohne and Felix Reischneider, resigned. Both men are Republicans.

## GIRL OF 12 ROUTS ASSAILANT IN WILD HALF HOUR BATTLE

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Ellis and I were out and Lillian was in charge of her three little sisters and brothers. He said she wanted to see me. Suddenly he raised his left hand to his eye and said: "I've got something in my eye." Lillian went to help him and he struck her down. Lillian got up and the fight was on.

"Right at the start, Lillian was so severely choked that she couldn't scream and it wouldn't have done much good if she could for the only neighbors within hearing distance were away."

"The two struggled and struggled. My little girl had only one idea, that of saving the little children, one of whom—our baby of two years—was found an hour later still cuddled in hiding under a bed."

"Lillian quickly fastened a grip on him. He struck her over the head with a large hand mirror until it broke. He then broke a cut glass vase over her head but she wouldn't let go. Next he bit her hands through to the bone and tore her fingers, and the nails were loose but still she clung to him."

"Once he got her down on the floor and placed his knees on her chest and choked her and for a moment it seemed that she would have to give up when a jiu jitsu warning of mine flashed into Lillian's mind. It was this: If other holds fail, claw at the assailant's eyes."

"Lillian did that and she must have punished him terribly for he leaped back from her reach."

"He then said, 'I've got to kill you. If I don't they'll know who I am and they'll get me. If I do, your father will never guess it was me.'"

"And the fighting continued until she finally the assailant, beaten off, blood when the ambulance arrived."

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Lowden Men Who Won Preliminary Combat Elect Atlanta Negro to National Committee.

CHICAGO, June 8.—Henry Lincoln Johnson, an Atlanta negro, who led the fight of the Lowden delegates before the Republican National Committee, was to-day elected National Committeeman from Georgia, by the State delegation.

The Wood delegates, headed by Roscoe Fickett, announced that they would carry their fight to the Credentials Committee of the convention. Johnson at the hearings had told the National Committee